

REMARKS

Claims 31-37, 39, 43, 45 and 46 remain pending in the application. Claims 1-30, 38, 40-42 and 44 have been deleted. Claims 31, 33, 34, 37, 39 and 43 have been amended.

The Examiner indicated that Claims 33-36, 39, 43 and 45-46 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form to include all of the limitations of the base and intervening claims. Applicant has accordingly amended these claims by deleting the base claim 30 and presenting claims 33 and 34 in independent form.

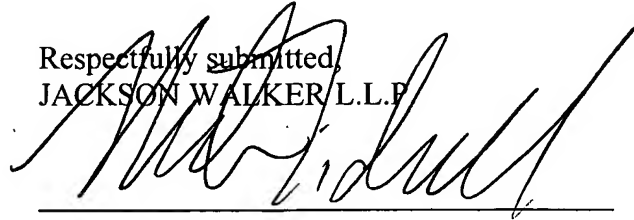
Claims 31 and 32 have been amended to depend from Claim 33 rather than the cancelled Claim 30, and thus should also be allowable.

Claims 39 and 43, which the Examiner indicated would be allowable if rewritten, each have been rewritten in independent form to include the base claim and all intervening claims. As such, these two claims should also be allowable.

If the Examiner feels that a telephone conference with the undersigned would be helpful to the allowance of this application, a telephone conference is respectfully requested. The Examiner is

authorized to charge any fees that arise from this submission, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit
Account Number 10-0096.

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